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1. ARTICLE IV.7/4 (EXCESS MISSILES AT DEPLOYMENT FIELDS AND SITES)

--SOVIETS PROPOSED NEW TEXT FOR ARTICLE IV.7/4 SUBPARAGRAPH (A)

WHICH ADDED THE CONCEPT OF NORMAL DEPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS. DISCUSSION OF SUBPARAGRAPH (B) INDICATED THE ANTECEDENT FOR "ANY ADDITION"

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OR "ADDITIONAL" MISSILES IN BOTH US AND SOVIET PROPOSALS RESPECTIVELY WAS UNCLEAR. BOTH SIDES AGREED TO REVIEW THEIR POSITIONS. SOVIETS REITERATED THEIR POSITION THAT AN AGREED STATEMENT DEFINING NORMAL DEPLOYMENT PRACTICES WAS UNNECESSARY, SINCE THE THREE PARAGRAPHS AS COMBINED MET THE AGREED PURPOSE OF RULING OUT USING A LAUNCHER TO FIRE ANOTHER MISSILE WITHIN A COUPLE OF HOURS, AND SINCE THE PARTIES AGREE THAT NORMAL REQUIREMENTS ARE THOSE CONSISTENT WITH THE PARTIES' EXISTING PRACTICES. SOVIETS ALSO SAID SPECIFIC EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN SYSTEMS (SOFT-SITE ICBM'S) WAS NOT NEEDED.

2. ARTICLE X (BANNED SYSTEMS). NO PROGRESS WAS MADE IN DISCUSSION OF SEABED SYSTEMS OR FOBS. SOVIETS REITERATED THEIR PROPOSAL TO USE "BEDS OF ANY OTHER WATERS" IN LIEU OF THE US PROPOSAL "BEDS OF INTERNAL WATERS," AND THEIR ARGUMENTS DISTINGUISHING SYSTEMS FOR PLACING WEAPONS INTO ORBIT AND FRACTIONAL ORBITAL MISSILES.KLOSSON

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